Meeting of Beausale, Haseley, Honiley & Wroxall Parish Council Wednesday 22 November 2023 at Wren Hall, Wroxall 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr J Gee (Chair)

Cllr N Butler

Cllr R Hales (WDC)

Cllr N Gumley

Cllr J Cooke (WCC)

Cllr L Holdgate

Clerk V Poole

Cllr R Slatem Members of the public (22)

1. Welcome Action

Cllr Gee welcomed everyone to the meeting

Apologies for absence

Cllr J Cooke (WCC)
Cllr D Clapp
Cllr E Cantwell

Cllr C Bird

2. Parish Open Forum

The Chair gave an overview of the position in relation to the Solar Farm at Honiley. The application has been called in by the Secretary of State and so would be determined by a Public Inquiry, not WDC Planning Committee. The position of WDC Planning Dept will be to support this application, as determined by the Planning Committee members, against the advice of the Officers. This would leave the Parish Council as the lead body in opposing the application. The 40 members of the public present were supportive of the PC taking this position.

The Chair would be meeting with Gary Fisher, Head of Planning at WDC, to ascertain the line the WDC Planning Dept would be taking on this occasion. Cllr Hales would also be present. She would also be meeting with John Gregory, a Planning Lawyer at Wright Hassall, whose help the PC would require in leading the opposition to this application.

Following a full and comprehensive discussion of the options facing the Parish Council, the following actions were agreed:

- Chair to meet with Gary Fisher and report back
- Chair, plus other available members of the PC, to meet with John Gregory to determine how he might represent us, and at what cost
- The PC would need to apply for Rule 6 status for this Inquiry
- Following these meetings, a letter to be sent to all Parishioners summarising our intention, and explaining how much the PC would be looking to spend. The impact on the precept for the year 2024/25 would be explained
- The PC to have another meeting before Christmas to put its case together and submit to the Planning Inspectorate by early January, the deadline for submissions

3.	Minutes of Last Meeting	
	The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 25 October 2023 were accepted and signed as a true record. Clerk to publish on website	Clerk
4.	Matters arising from minutes of Wednesday 25 October 2023	
	4.1 Solar Farm update - this has already been addressed in Item 2 above	
5.	WDC	
	Cllr Richard Hales provided update with the main topic being the amount of weedkiller being used will be dropped from twice per year to once per year. This was subject to a very short consultation period.	
6.	WCC	
	Report from Cllr John Cooke circulated prior to the meeting	
7.	Parish Council Matters	
	7.1 Finance	
	Monthly schedule of payments were approved for payment	Clerk
	7.2 FixMyStreet	
	Recent damages to road signs had been reported via the FixMyStreet website	Cllr J
	however there has been no update. Clerk forwarded details to Cllr J Cooke to progress with WCC	Cooke
	7.3 Broadband update Cllr N Butler gave a brief update and advised a survey is awaited	
	7.4 Parish Online Works with Parish Online is continuing	
	7.5 Website Clerk confirmed training on the website had been completed	
	7.6 Complaint against Councillor Cllr J Gee advised an apology email has been received but then recalled. This was now with the Chief Executive of WDC.	
	7.7 Locked gate by bridle path Cllr J Gee confirmed the gate has now been opened by Mr Millard and was accessible to the public.	
	7.8 New Councillor training booked with WALC Clerk confirmed training had been booked for Cllr S Waterworth and Cllr N Butler with WALC on 16 January 2024 via Zoom	
	7.9 CIL money received £1,409.85 It was confirmed that CIL money had been received in relation to planning application W/20/0509 Kites Nest Farm	

8. **Community Events 8.1** The Christmas Fair at Wren Hall is to be held on Saturday 2 December 2023 from 10 – 4pm For more events please visit the Wren Hall website <u>www.wrenhall.org</u> 9. **Planning Matters Deadline/Decision Application no. Description** 29 November 2023 W/22/1728 - Mr & Mrs Demolition of existing dwelling and outbuildings. Slatem PC supporting. Clattywood, Clatty Lane, Erection of replacement Beausale, Warwick CV35 dwelling with all associated 7AF works (resubmission of W/21/2243) W/20/0509 - Mr G Hyde Proposed conversion of Granted Kites Nest Farm, Kites Nest barns and outbuildings to Lane, Beausale, Warwick provide three dwellings CV35 7PB 10. **AOB** There was no other business 11. Date of next meeting Wednesday 17 January 2024 Date for meeting to discuss Solar farm finalisation to be confirmed